

**Applicant:** Curtiss Smith  
**Application No.:** 09/521,770


### REMARKS

In the Action, claims 1-10 were indicated as allowable. The abstract was objected to for informalities. Accordingly, the abstract has been amended pursuant to the Examiner's comments. Applicant respectfully submits that the Application is now in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner believes that an interview, either telephonically or in person, would be helpful to resolve any remaining issue, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned for the purpose of arranging an interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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